

Rural Resource Planning Areas (Places)

Purpose and Intent	Management Guidelines	Location Guidelines
 Identify areas rich in agricultural, natural, forestry and other rural resources. Identify areas integral to water supply and quality standards. Identify properties with significant terrestrial and aquatic living resources, and habitats. Identify areas that support outdoor recreation and tourism. Provide a geographic frame of reference for achieving PlanMaryland's Goal 2 and its related Objectives. Protect the land, water, and environmental and living resources that are crucial to sustainability and quality of life. Limit non-resource based development to levels that will support and sustain the resources. 	 Be comprised of or planned for predominately resource based uses on land outside the jurisdiction's PFA. Be governed by local capital and non-capital plans, policies, ordinances, regulations, and procedures that: Limit public facilities and services to the levels appropriate to support population engaged in rural resource-based occupations. Do not support additional services or capacity to accommodate or encourage additional non-resource based development beyond that which already exists. Are explicitly designed to minimize and limit the impacts of development on resource lands and industries. 	Located outside of a Priority Funding Area

Land Use Objectives

- Agriculture, forestry, other resource-based uses dominate the area, with limited conflict from non-resource based development and concentration of publicly owned land and private lands under conservation easements.
- Non-resource based developed land is limited to low intensity uses, primarily residential and those that support tourism and public access to rural recreational resources,
- Land uses do not fragment resource lands that compromise agriculture, forestry, other resource-based uses and rural natural resources.

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Existing	Proposed	Planning/Management Practices	
		Comprehensive Plan supports:	
		 Resource-based uses, such as agriculture, forestry, mining, and fishing. 	
		 Conservation of the long-term integrity and sustainability of the water resources. 	
		 Preservation and protect environmentally sensitive and ecologically significant lands, waters and resources. 	
		Zoning, subdivision and land development regulations promote the preservation of farmland and discourage, limit	
		the subdivision of land that would fragment resource lands, and protect environmentally sensitive land.	
		Other locally proposed: (Please specify)	

Transportation Objectives

- Infrastructure maintenance and improvements supports the agricultural, forestry and water-resource-based industries.
- Roads provide safe connection of rural residents to rural towns, municipalities and county development centers for access to goods, services and entertainment.
- Highway access is managed to limit development not associated with agricultural and other resource industries.
- Transportation improvements generally intended for safety enhancements, while addressing regional or national mobility needs and minimizing induced local growth.

Existing	Proposed	Planning/Management Practices	
		Comprehensive plan, regulations, and capital and non-capital transportation efforts focus on maintaining existing levels of service, improving transportation safety and addressing existing deficiencies, but discourage induced growth resulting from future transportation improvements.	
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		Other locally proposed: (Please specify)	

Housing Objectives

- Housing opportunities support people engaged in resource-based businesses, including tourism, outdoor recreation and the provision of goods and services to residents and visitors.
- Additional housing not related to resource-based industries should be avoided or minimized.

Existing	Proposed	Planning/Management Practices	
		Comprehensive plan supports housing opportunities to serve predominantly resource-based uses, and discourages	
		residential subdivision activity not related to family farms	
		Zoning, subdivision and land development regulations that limit residential development.	
		Other locally proposed: (Please specify)	

Economic Development Objectives

- Economic development focuses mainly on agriculture, forestry and other rural resource-based businesses, and the provision of goods and services to rural residents and visitors.
- Future economic development opportunities are encouraged to occur through redevelopment and not on undeveloped, greenfields.
- Impervious cover of new development is minimized; when possible, reduced during redevelopment.

Existing	Proposed	Planning/Management Practices	
		Comprehensive plan supports resource-based economic development efforts.	
		Zoning regulations that foster the growth of resource-based industries and support services.	
		Other locally proposed: (Please specify)	